MR. B. THIMMAPPA (Harihar Sub-Taluk).—

Q.—35. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) What were the rates of assessment that were levied on dry lands before re-survey?

(*b*) What are the present dry rates?

(*c*) What are the reasons for increasing the rates of assessment?

(*d*) Are the Government aware of the fall in prices of all agricultural products and consequent difficulty to pay kandayam on the part of raiyats?

(*e*) Is it under the consideration of Government to reduce the assessment; and if so, to what extent?

(*f*) If the Government have not yet taken any steps in this direction, will they be pleased to do so now at least and grant reduction of assessment?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT.—

A.—35. (*a*) and (*b*) The questions are vague as the member has not mentioned the tract for which the information is required. However, information as regards the maximum dry rates in the original and re-survey in respect of the taluks of the Chitaldrug District is furnished in the statement appended. (*Vide* Appendix XII.)

(*c*) The attention of the member is invited to the various Re-settlement Reports and the orders of Government thereon.

(*d*) Yes.

(*e*) and (*f*) The member's attention is invited to the reply given by Government in connection with a resolution on the same subject in the last session of the Assembly, *viz.*, that the situation would be reviewed next year and necessary relief provided to the raiyats, if circumstances necessitated it.

MESSRS. N. BASAPPA (Holalkere Taluk), H. G. MAHADEVAPPA (Davangere Taluk) and THAMMANNA (Challakere Taluk).—

Q.—36. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) Whether they are aware that they have stated at the last Budget Session of the Representative Assembly that the matter of abolition of the District Board toll-gates would be considered after the receipt of the report of the committee appointed for that purpose?

(*b*) If so, whether the committee have submitted their report to Government?

(*c*) What action has been taken by Government on the report?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, GENERAL DEPARTMENT.—

A.—36. (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) The report is being printed and the views of the authorities of the Civil and Military Station, Bangalore, have been called for.

MESSRS. N. NADIGA BASAPPA (Holalkere Taluk) and H. G. MAHADEVAPPA (Davangere Taluk).—

Q.—37. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) Whether it is true that in reply to Question No. 7 of the Dasara Session of October 1930 of the Representative Assembly, the Government have stated that the matter of constructing a dam to impound the waste water of Anaji Tank in Davangere Taluk and to divert it into the channel, was under investigation?

(*b*) If so, what investigation has been made so far and what is the result of such investigation?

(*c*) What may be the probable amount that has to be spent by Government for constructing the dam?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.—

A.—37. (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The project is under preparation.

(*c*) The project may cost about Rs. 5,000.

MESSRS. B. SEETHARAMAIYA and H. RANGAPPA (Hiriyur Taluk).—

Q.—38. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) Whether an estimate has been sanctioned for improving the Uduvalli Tank in Hiriyur Taluk?

(*b*) Why was this work not taken up during this year?

(*c*) When will the work be commenced?